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Line of Becker's Defence Indicated by Cross-Examination of Sam Schepps-Questions Along This Line Excluded by Court-Schepps and Lawyer McIntyre in Frequent Wrangles-Two Spectators Ejected From Courtroom.

New York, Oct. 15.—Gamblers and not Police Lieutenant Charles Becker instigated the murder of Herman Resenthal, according to the line of de-Rosenthal, according to the line of defense indicated by counsel for the accused officer at today's session of his tight. A large sum of money raised by the gamblers was paid to get Rosenthal out of New York when he began to "squeal" on the police, and when he took the money and then refused to go the gamblers, threatened with the loss of their protection, plotted and executed his murder through the agency of the four gummen.

Line of Defense Indicated.

At least such was the line of defense implied on questions put by John F. McIntyre, Becker's counsel, to Sam Schepps on the witness stand today.

Schepps was not given an opportunity to say whether he had knowledge that such was the origin of the murder plot, for Justice Goff excluded the questions.

Schepps merely looked bored. He had at that time spent practically the entire day on the stand corroborating the testimony of Jack Rose, Bridgio Webber and Harry Vallon, the tric of self-confessed accomplices in the crime, who accuse Becker of having inspired the murder.

Schepos Says He Acted as Messenger. Line of Defense Indicated

Schepps Says He Acted as Messenger.
Schepps today added another link to
the chain of evidence against the defendant by swaring that Becker had
asked him if the gunnen had been paid
for their work. He also testified that
he had been the bearer of a reassuring
message from Lieutenant Becker to
Jack Rose when the latter was in
hiding; "ready to commit suicide," at
the home of Harry Pollok. Schepps
part in the plot was that of messenger
for Rose in rounding up the gunmen,
but he denied that he was conscious
that the killing of Rosenthal was on
foot. He didn't fully comprehend it,
he said, until Jack Rose had made a
"clean breast of it" to him and then
on "the advice of counsel" he had gotten out of town.

Schepps Calls Mointyre a Liar. Schepos Says He Acted as Messenger.

Schepps Calls Mointyre a Liar. Mr. McIntyre's efforts to break down the testimony of the witness resulted in frequent wordy tilts between them that Justice Goff was obliged to cur-

Schepps, glib of speech and com-bative in his manner, on one occasion, called the lawyer a "liar," and Mr. McIntyre retorted by referring to Schepps as a "grovelling thing."

Did What Jack Rose Told Him. Becker's attorney tried again and again to make Schepps admit that he had been an accomplice in the crime, but the witness appeared always ready with explanations with the part he had taken.

"Jack Rose told me to do it," was his most frequent excuse for his various actions.

Schepps' Cross-Examination. Attorney McIntyre made strenuous efforts to break down Schepps' testimony, but the witness refused to be entrapped.

"No."
"Did you put a revolver at the head of the driver of the car, and say: 'Get away from here as quick as you can: don't stall this engine or I'll blow the top of your head off?",
"I did not."
"Did you hear Vallon say that?"
"No."
"No."

Reverting to Schepps' visit to Becker's house after the murder, Mr. MoIntyre asked him if he had not sworn that he had seen Mrs. Becker there?"
"If I did I was mistaken," said

"The I did I was mistaken," said Schepps.

"They wouldn't let me into the apartment, and I had to call on the 'phone, and I said: "This is Schepps. I've got a message from Jack Rose and I must see Mr. Becker." I didn't see Mrs. Becker." Schepps refused to be shaken in his

Schepps refused to be shaken in his Advised to Get Out of Town.

Schepps volunteered the statement that Rose had made a "clean breast" of the murder to him and that he had gone with Rose to police headquarters when Rose gave himself up. PILES CURED IN 6 TO 14 DAYS

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you can get, and I took his advice,"
Schepps explained grimly.

Mr. McIntyre then began to trace
with the witness his journey to Hot

Spectators Ejected for Intimidation. At this point two men were ejected from the court room. They appeared to have been trying to intimidate the witness, according to one of the court

officers,
After Schepps had denied that while in Hot Springs he was in custody there, Mr. McIntyre showed a copy of a letter which the witness admitted he wrote to Rose in reply to the letter Rose wrote to him telling him that the district attorney had promised legiendistrict attorney had promised lenien-cy in return for his confession.

Schopps' Letter to Rose.

The letter read in part:
All I can say is that I am mighty sorry it has turned out this way for you, dear old pal. However, at this stage I can dispense with sympathy, as it can't help any now.

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I have read very little about the case so far, and can't bear to think of it any more. What you asked of me I have considered and I find that I am in very bad, in spite of the leniency the district attorney holds out to us. So why do you want me to corroborate a few lies, for instance that I paid \$1,000 to L. L. on 42d street?

However, my name is Sam and yours is Jack. If you had trusted me with more of your confidence this terrible situation wouldn't have happened. However, I will come gladly for you. To prove my loyalty to you I must become a squealer; still I will even at that cost, except under these conditions, that you will expect me to tell the truth or else tell me word for word what you want me to say.

My best withers to you and God. What you want me to say.

My best wishes to you, and God

Not Promised Immunity.

Mr. McIntyre then cross-examined the witness on the letter in an effort to get him to admit that he had been promised immunity by the district attorney.

torney.

"I wasn't promised immunity," said Schepps. "I signed a stipulation. It was arranged by my counsel. All that I knew was I'd get the consideration of the court if I told the truth and didn't fire a shot."

"What did you mean by 'in very bad?"

"I had reference to what it said in the newspapers. They said that Rose said I paid the money to Lefty Louis in 42d street."

Some Lies in Newspapers. "Were there some lies that Jack Rose asked you to corroborate him in?"

mony, but the witness refused to be entrapped.

"You were not supposed to know that I read in the accounts that I read in the newspapers. They were what I referred to."

Rosenthal, were you?" asked the attorney, ironically.

"I did not know it," rejoined Schepps hastly.

"Aren't you testifying so that it will appear that you are not an accomplice to this crime, so that you can appear solely as a corroborative witness?"

"No."

"Court Excludes Questions."

Court Excludes Questions Did Not Ride in Murder Car.

"Don't you know that after the murder you and Vallon rode away in the murder car?"

"No."

"Did you put a revolver at the head of the driver of the car, and say: 'Get before the murder?"

Abandoning this inquiry, Mr. McIntyre for the first time gave a hint as to Becker's line of defense, "Did you know," asked the attorney, "that Lieutenant Becker made thirteen raids in ten days on Sam Paul just before the murder?"

Justice Goff excluded the question.

"Did you know that the gamblers of this city raised a large sum of money to bribe Rosenthal to leave town?"

Again the court excluded the questions.

Asked if Gambiers Inspired Murder. "Did you know that when Rosenthal didn't leave the city when he received a sum of money from the gamblers, that in consequence of that the gamblers inspired the murder?"

For the third time Justice Goff ruled assume the guestion while Schenne

against the question, while Schepps looked bored. Mrs. Rosenthal to Testify Today. Schepps was examined at length on

Schepps was examined at length on the testimony of persons who talked with him at Hot Springs. He denied practically all the statements attributed to him by the Hot Springs authorities, and he was then allowed to go. The trial was here adjourned until tomorrow morning, when Mrs. Herman Rosenthal, widow of the murdered gambler, is expected to be the first witness.

ON ROOSEVELT'S TRAIL

FOR OVER A MONTH

Schrank Considered Colonel a Menac to the Country, Feared He Would Bring on a "Bloody Civil War," and Deemed It His Duty to Put Him Out of the Way-Says His Sweetheart Went Down With the General

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 15.—Once a saloon keeper in Chicago, obsessed with the insane belief that he was commissioned to remove "peril to the nation," John Schrank, assailant of former President Roosevelt, admitted today that he trailed the colonel for many days, always hoping to get an opportunity to kill him.
"Why did you shoot the colonel?"

he was asked.
"I read the stories about him in the New York World and The Herald," replied Schrank, "and I thought he was wrong to seek a third term. I followed him since September 12 from Montgomery and Chattanooga and Atlanta, and all through the south waiting for a chance. he was asked.

Regarded Roosevelt as Menace to Country.

"I formerly ran a saloon at 410 East Tenth street, New York city," he said. "I was born in Erding, Bavaria, and am 36 years old. I came to this and am 35 years old. I came to the country with my parents when 9 years old, and have been engaged in the saloon business ever since, either as proprietor or employe, almost all my

he cried Thief at that convention. I looked upon his plan to start a third party as a danger to the country. photographer.

Savings Society.

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Why knowledge of history gained through much reading convinced me that Rossevelt was engaged in a dangerous undertaking. I was convinced that if he was defeated at the fall election he would again cry 'Thief,' and that his action would plunge the country into a bloody civil war. I deemed it my duty, after much consideration of the matter, to put him out of the way. I was living at my home address at the time, but soon after I had a dream in which former President McKinley appeared to me.

1 was told by McKinley in the dream

that it was not Czolgocz who murdered him, but Roosevelt. McKinley, in this dream, told me that his blood was on Roosevelt's hand, and that Roose velt had killed him so that he might become president.

"I was more deeply impressed by what I read in the newspapers than others, and after having this dream was more convinced than ever that I should free the country from the men-ace of Roosevelt's ambition.

Pursued Colonel on Southern Trip. "On September 21 I removed to the White House hotel in Canal street as White House hotel in Canal street as the first step toward killing Roose-velt. I went soon afterward to a gun store, where I purchased a revolver. I then purchased a ticket to Charleston, S. C., going to that city by steamer, hoping to catch Roosevelt at New Orleans. I had \$300 when I got to Charleston, and I left my bag at the Hosley house there with deeds. by steamer, hoping to catch Roosevelt at New Orleans. I had \$300 when I got to Charleston, and I left my baz at the Hosley house there with deeds to my property in New York city, my naturalization papers and other things. The bag is still there.

"Not being able to carry out my plans in Charleston, I proceeded to Atlanta, Chattanooga, Nashville, Indianapolis and Chicago, but I falled to get the opportunity to kill the colonel.

"I waited for Roosevelt at "I walted for Roosevert at the Northwestern railway station, but he did not come in over that road to Chicago. Then I went to the Collseum to get him but he went out of another than the collseum to the collseum to get him but he went out of another than the collseum to entrance. During all this time I was traveling under the name of Walter Roos. On Saturday in Chicago I de-cided that I would have to do the job in Milwaukee. I came here Sunday and went to the Argyle, a lodging house on Third street. I then pur-chased newspapers and learning that Roosevelt was to stop at the Gilpat-rick, I got a place where I could shoot him."

Does Not Care What Becomes of Him.

said the prisoner. "That is a most trivial matter in my mind. I am only sorry that my intentions were not realized and that I failed to kill Roosevelt. I am able to stand the consequences of my act. No man has a right to a third term."

Lost Sweetheart on the Gen. Slocum Schrank taiked freely to newspapermen and jail attaches today. Asked if he had ever had a sweetheart, he

if he had ever had a sweetheart, he immediately stated that he had and her name was Elsie Zeigler, but he

"She went down on the General Slocum and I have never felt right

The would-be slayer related the vir tues of Elsie Zeigler, who, he said, was a beautiful girl, and whom he had planned to marry, when every-

His Appetite Fails Him. Schrank told jail officials today that he was hungry. A plate of sausage and bread and a cup of coffee were set before him. He took a bite of the food and left it untouched, saying that his appetite had faailed him.

THE GARVAN WILL Many Bequests Made to Charitable

Organizations.

Hartford, Oct. 15.—The will of ex-Senator P. Garvan disposes of an es-tate estimated at one million dollars. Does Not Care What Becomes of Him.

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